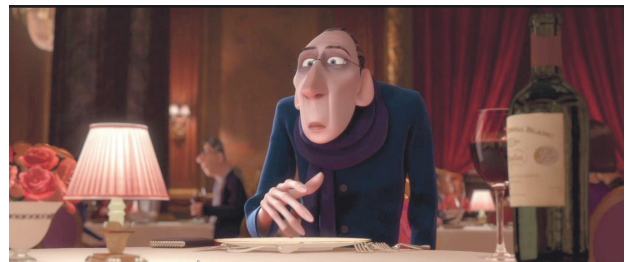


Ratatouille

1 Choose the correct option.

1. Remy is walking on his hind legs because he (a) *doesn't want to soil his hind paws* (b) *he's hygienic and doesn't want to handle food with dirty paws*.
2. Emile (a) *is* (b) *isn't* really concerned with food hygiene.
3. "Tomme de chevre" is made from (a) *goat's milk* (b) *sheep's milk*.
4. Remy plans to add (a) *herbs* (b) *spices* to improve the mushroom and cheese taste.
5. Remy is (a) *disgusted* (b) *impressed* by the soft and buttery electrocuted mushroom.
6. The scene is taking place (a) *at night* (b) *in the afternoon*.



2 Use these quotes from *Ratatouille* as debate topics.

- Narrator (on TV): The best food in the world is made in France. The best food in France is made in Paris.
- Gusteau (on TV): You must be imaginative, strong-hearted. You must try things that may not work, and you must not let anyone define your limits because of where you come from. Your only limit is your soul.
- Remy: If you are what you eat, then I only want to eat the good stuff.
- Anton Ego: We thrive on negative criticism, which is fun to write and to read. But there are times when a critic truly risks something, and that is the discovery and defense of the 'new'. The world is often unkind to new talent, new creations.



- The animation team worked alongside chef Thomas Keller in order to learn the art of cooking.
- Pet rats were kept at the studio for more than a year so that the animators could study the movement of their fur, noses, ears, paws and tails.
- The names "Auguste Gusteau" are anagrams of each other and the surname is a pun on "gustation"; the technical term for the sense of taste.
- "Alfredo" is a pasta sauce often served over fettuccine, named after its inventor, Italian chef Alfredo di Lelio. "Linguini" (also spelled Linguine) is a form of long narrow pasta, similar to spaghetti.
- The bad guy in the movie – Head Chef Skinner – was named after behavioral psychologist B.F. Skinner, who was known for the Skinner Box, where rats were placed and trained to push a button for food.
- The shop window exposing dead rats actually exists. It is the window of Destruction des Animaux, located 8, Rue des Halles in Paris 1st arrondissement.